

**RESOLUTIONS NO. 196**  
**REVEREND WAYNE W. MAYS**

**WHEREAS, we have been apprised that Jamison Memorial CME Church on October 21, 2007 will be hosting a Welcome Celebration for its new Pastor, Rev. Wayne W. Mays; and**

**WHEREAS, Rev. Mays was born on September 2, 1959 to the late Rev. Dr. Willie Mays and Dr. Queen Mays Kirby in Atlanta, Georgia. At the age of 9, he publicly confirmed his acceptance of Christ. At the age of 11, he became a Class leader for the Youth Class. At the age 18, he received an appointment to the Steward Board where he continued to serve as an active Steward until he was ordained into the ministry; and**

**WHEREAS, Rev. Mays received his Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Houston, his Masters of Divinity with honors at the Phillips School of Theology at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and his Doctoral work at the St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri. Rev. Mays served the United States Army for ten years and five years in the Reserves when he was honorably discharged in June, 2001 to pursue full time pastoral work; and**

**WHEREAS, Rev. Mays married his high school sweetheart and wife of 23 years Tarri (Maura) Mays. She is an educator, currently teaching in the Special School District at Hazelwood East High School. She is a graduate of Clark Atlanta University with a Masters of Art Degree and Bachelor of Arts Degree from Texas Southern University. They have had four children (1 baby daughter deceased), two attending college in Houston, Texas and one currently attending Hazelwood East High School; and**

**WHEREAS, Rev. Mays has over fifteen years experience as a pastor. Rev. Mays was Associate Minister of the Jenkins Memorial CME Church in Hephzibah, Georgia; Assistant Pastor, West Covina Mission CME Church in West Covina, California; Pastor Mt. Sinai CME Church in Milner, Georgia; Pastor, Lewis Memorial CME Church, San Jose, California; Pastor, Davis Chapel CME Church in Richmond, California; Pastor, Bowers Memorial CME Church in Kansas City, Missouri; Pastor Jamison Memorial CME Church in St. Louis; and**

**WHEREAS, Rev. Mays has received many honors and medals. He received Medals for Meritorious Service, Army Commendation, Army Achievement; Combat Action Ribbon Army Service; DAR Outstanding Navy Jr. Reserve Officer Training Corps Award, City of Houston, Texas; Theta Phi Honors Society; Outstanding Young Man America; 2001 Richmond Community Leader; immediate past President of the Methodist Ministers Fellowship of the Greater Kansas City Area; Committee Chair of the Concerned Clergy Coalition; hosted City-wide Revivals for Thanksgiving and Martin Luther Kings services; and assisted in coordination of 4-week hurricane relief for displaced victims of Hurricane Katrina; and**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, meeting in regular session, that we recognize, and honor Rev. Wayne W. Mays for his many accomplishments, and dedication to the kingdom of God and the City, and we further direct the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of this proceeding and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.**

**Introduced on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007 by:  
Honorable Marlene Davis, Alderwoman 19<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007 as attested by:**

